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| For: APPARATUS FOR CORRECTING | ) |                             |
| INK DROPLETS PLACEMENT        | ) |                             |
| ERRORS FOR RECORDING          | ) |                             |
| APPARATUS, RECORDING          | ) |                             |
| APPARATUS HAVING APPARATUS    | ) |                             |
| FOR CORRECTING INK DROPLETS   | ) |                             |
| PLACEMENT ERRORS, AND         | ) |                             |
| METHOD FOR CORRECTING INK     | ) |                             |
| DROPLETS PLACEMENT ERRORS     | ) |                             |

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

In response to the Final Office Action dated December 23, 2005, the period for response to which extends through March 23, 2006, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, entry of the following amendment is respectfully requested to place the application in clear condition for allowance or, alternatively, in better form for appeal.